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SUBJ: 33RD MEETING OF COMMITTEE ON RELATIONS WITH HOST
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SUMMARY: HOST COUNTRY COMMITTEE RESUMED CONSIDERATION
OF TWO SUBJECTS, SECURITY AND PARKING, WITH MEETING
DOMINATED BY LONG AND TEDIOUS HARANGUES BY IRAQI AND SOVIET
DELS. IRAQI DEL PRESSED LEGAL COUNSEL FOR LEGAL OPINION
ON SECURITY MEASURES TAKEN BY HOST COUNTRY. SOVIET REP
PROMISED TO PREPARE INFORMAL PAPER CONTAINING
"SUGGESTIONS" ON SECURITY. WHEN COMMITTEE TURNED
TO PARKING, IRAQI AND SOVIET DELS ADOPTED NEGATIVE AND
NONCONSTRUCTIVE LINES OF CRITICISM OF US PAPER. END SUMMARY

1. 33RD MEETING OF HOST COUNTRY COMMITTEE MET JULY 22
TO TAKE UP SECURITY OF MISSIONS AND PARKING SITUATION.
SOVIET REP CRITICIZED SECRETARIAT FOR UNCERTAINTIES
SURROUNDING SCHEDULINGS OF MEETINGS. WHEN DISCUSSION
STARTED ON SECURITY OF MISSIONS, IRAQI DEL, AL-QAYSI,
PRESSED SYG REP FOR VIEWS OF SECRETARIAT ON THIS SUBJECT.
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HE ARGUED THAT SYG WAS PARTY TO QUESTION IN LIGHT

OF LANGUAGE OF GA RES 2819 XXVI. LEGAL COUNSEL SAID SEC-
RETARIAT WOULD BE PREPARED TO PRESENT PAPER IF PROPOSSL
OF IRAQ WAS ADOPTED. HE EXPLAINED THAT THIS APPEARED
TO BE TYPE OF LEGAL OPINION AT REQUEST OF ONE DEL.
SOVIET REP DELIVERED VIRTUALLY IDENTICAL STATEMENT ON
SECURITY OF MISSIONS AS MADE IN 31ST MEETING. HE OFFERED,
HOWEVER, SUBMIT DRAFT OF IDEAS OF SOVIET MISSION TO
COMMITTEE FOR ITS CONSIDERATION.

2. US REP KELLER STATED HIS DEL AGREED WITH REMARKS OF
PREVIOUS SPEAKERS ON DESIRABILITY OF PUSHING AHEAD WITH
WORK OF COMMITTEE AND PREPARING REPORT BEFORE MEMBERS
BOGGED DOWN IN GA ACTIVITIES. HE NOTED THAT SOVIET
REMARKS WERE IDENTICAL TO THOSE IN 31ST MEETING OF COMMITTEE
AND REFERRED MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE TO US DEL REPLY IN 32ND
MEETING.

3. ON PARKING, IRAQI DEL IN NEGATIVE AND ARGUMENTATIVE
FASHION CRITICIZED US PARKING PAPER A/AC.154/39. HE LIKED
NONE OF IDEAS SUGGESTED. SOVIET REP ALSO WAS HIGHLY
CRITICAL OF PAPER CHARGING STATE AND CITY AUTHORITIES
WITH STRENGTHENING AND INTENSIFYING "CAMPAIGN" AGAINST
DIPLOMATS. HE CALLED FOR IMMEDIATE DISCONTINUANCE OF ISSUING
PARKING TICKETS AND TOWING AWAY DPL VEHICLES. US PAPER,
HE CHARGED, IS ATTEMPT TO "SLANDER AND DISCREDIT" DIPLOMATS.

4. COMMITTEE AGREED TO MEET AGAIN JULY 31.
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